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TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 9567

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E. O. 11652 N/ A

TAGS SNAR, VSGY TH

SUBJECT: POSSIBLE ATTEMPT TO SMUGGLE NARCOTICS

SECSTATE PASS COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS, OFFICE OF  
INVESTIGATIONS FROM CUS ATT SAIGON. HONG KONG PASS  
CUSTOMS LIAISON DURANT.

REF: A) SAIGON 5021

B) BANGKOK 5111

1. BE ADVISED THAT WILLIAM METTS, WILLIAN CHARD, NOR  
STEVEN JOHNSON MANIFESTED ON FLIGHT CHINA AIRLINES NUMBER  
818 FROM BANGKOK TO SAIGON ON APRIL 3, 1973, AS REPORTED BY  
CUSTOMS/ BANGKOK. ALL ARRIVING PASSENGERS ON THIS FLIGHT WERE  
CHECKED; NONE MET THE DESCRIPTIONS OF ABOVE- MENTIONED INDIVID-  
UALS. IMPOSSIBLE THEY USED FALSE PASSPORTS AS VERY FEW AMERICANS  
ON THIS FLIGHT.

2. DESCRIPTIONS OF SUSPECTS GIVEN IN REFTEL A, PARAGRAPHS 4,5,6.

3. POSSIBLE SUSPECTS TOOK DIFFERENT FLIGHTS ENROUTE TO CONUS.  
DECONTROL UPON RECEIPT.  
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